GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3020
ANSWERED ON:21.03.2002
ONGC SHIP SAGAR SANDHANI
BASUDEB ACHARIA

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the ship "Sagar Sandhani" of ONGC was sent for dry docking at Singapore in March, 2001;

(b) if so, whether the said ship has started operating;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether some equipments banned in India were fitted in the ship; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY O PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a): Yes, Sir. The ship Sagar Sandhani of ONGC was sent to M/sGeco-Prakla International Ltd. for upgradation of geophysical and marine equipments for conversion of the vessel from "single steamer and single source" to "dual steamer and dual source" to Singapore on March 31, 2001.

(b): No, Sir.

(c): The vessel is held up at Singapore for want of export license from Government of USA regarding US manufactured Geopoint Benthos Hydrophone fitted in Nessie-4 steamer.

(d): No, Sir.

(e): Does not arise in view of the reply to (d) above.